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## Amendments to the Claims:

- (Currently Amended) A process for depositing a nanomolecular layer of resin on a carbon fiber comprising:
- a. providing an aqueous solution of an organic compound contained in a nonconducting container, the organic compound comprising carboxymethylcellulose;
  - b. connecting a direct current source to said carbon fiber;
  - providing a graphite rod;
- d. combining the fiber, the aqueous solution, and the graphite rod in the nonconducting container with basic substance:
- attaching one power lead of the direct current source to the graphite rod which
  acts as the cathode, and the other lead to the carbon fiber as the anode to ionize the aqueous
  solution;
- f. applying an electric potential from said direct current source to cause the ionized aqueous solution to flow to said carbon fiber to form a nanomolecular layer thereon; and
  - g. rinsing any excess chemicals from said carbon fiber with a rinse.
- (Currently Amended) The process as recited in claim 1 wherein said step-of
  providing an aqueous solution further includes said aqueous solution being comprised from the
  group-of-polymers; polyamic acid, phenyl phosphinic acid, phenyl boronic acid, and or poly
  isobutylene alt maleic acid, dissolved in an aqueous-medium.
- (Original) The process as recited in claim 2 wherein said nanomolecular layer is characterized by a covalent bonding onto the carbon fiber.

## 4-8 (Cancelled)

 (Currently Amended) A process for depositing a nanomolecular layer of resin on a carbon fiber comprising:

connecting an anodic lead of a direct current source to a earbonaeeous material carbon fiber or carbon cloth; Appl. No.: 10/676,860 Amdt. dated 10/16/2006

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advancing the earbonaeeous material carbon fiber or carbon cloth through a first bath in a continuous manner, the first bath comprising an aqueous solution of an organic compound or inerganic compound comprising carboxymethylcellulose, a basic substance, and a graphite rod that is connected to a cathodic lead of the direct current source;

passing an electric current from said graphite rod to said earbonaceous material carbon fiber or carbon cloth;

electrodepositing a nanomolecular layer comprising the organic o<del>r inorganic</del> compound on the earbonaceous material carbon fiber or carbon cloth as it is being advanced through the first bath; and

advancing the earbonaeeous material carbon fiber or carbon cloth having a nanomolecular layer through a second bath in a continuous manner, the second bath comprising a water or alkaline solution that removes excess chemicals from the nanomolecular layer.

 (Currently Amended) The process of Claim 9, wherein the earbonaceous material carbon fiber or carbon cloth are disposed on a supply roll prior to being advanced through said first bath comprises a roll of earbon fiber.

## Cancelled

 (Currently Amended) The process of Claim 9, wherein the organic solution further comprises compound is selected from the group consisting of polyamic acid, phenyl phosphinic acid, phenyl boronic acid, and poly isobutylene alt maleic acid.

## 13 Cancelled

- (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 9, wherein the second bath comprises a basic solution.
- (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 9, wherein the second bath comprises sodium hydroxide, ammonium hydroxide, or triethylamine.